



WOW iT! encourages women in technology

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WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (WLFI) - The annual Wow IT! program aims to help girls find an interest in technology related fields.

Diversity Director in the Technology College Toni Munguia said the program started about 5 years ago.

Young women in High School participated in hands on experiments with manufacturing engineering, industrial technology and computer graphics technology.

Munguia said the amount of women in technology related fields is not as strong as it could be.

"Women tend to want to help or make a difference in society. They don't always think of technology in that area. So, we are trying to teach them and see that the majors in technology, they can actually make a difference in the world," said Munguia.

More than 50 teenage women signed up for the Wow IT! program this year.

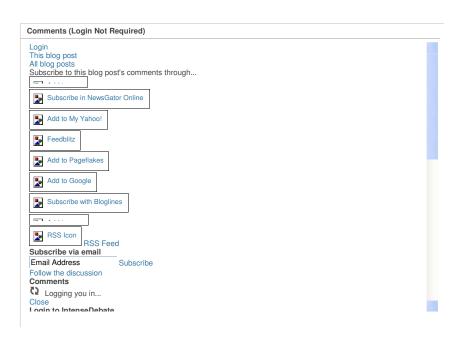
Most of the participants are part of Project Lead The Way, a pre-engineering and technology program in Indiana high schools



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